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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 5516
INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA
AMCONSUL ISTANBUL

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DEPT FOR S/NM; ANKARA AND ISTANBUL FOR DEA FROM NCO

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: SNAR
SUBJECT: HEARINGS ON DECRIMINALIZATION OF MARIHUANA

REF: STATE 057902

1. PER REFTTEL, CYPRUS POLICE FORCE REPORTS THAT MARIHUANA POSSESSION IN CYPRUS IS A FELONY PUNISHABLE BY UP TO TEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT AND/OR A \$2,500 FINE.
2. CRIMINAL STATUTE GOVERNING MARIHUANA DOES NOT DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN POSSESSION AND TRAFFICKING.
3. CYPRUS POLICE OFFICIAL WITH WHOM RSO DISCUSSED MATTER SAID A CRIMINAL ARREST WILL RESULT FOR POSSESSION OF ANY AMOUNT OF MARIHUANA, ALTHOUGH "TRACES" AND AMOUNTS BELOW .5 GRAMS RARELY RESULT IN PROSECUTION.
4. SENTENCES GENERALLY ARE DETERMINED BY THE QUANTITY SEIZED AND MAY RANGE FROM A SUSPENDED SENTENCE TO A FINE TO AS MANY AS FOUR YEARS IMPRISONMENT. IN THE

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LAST FIVE YEARS NO ONE HAS BEEN IMPRISONED FOR MORE THAN FIVE YEARS FOR POSSESSING EVEN THE LARGEST AMOUNT.
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